21th Annual Biochemistry and Biophysics Research Competition
February 22, 2013

The TAMU Biochemistry Graduate Association is hosting its 21st Annual Biochemistry Research Competition. We encourage all Biochemistry graduate students to participate. The competition will consist of two parts. All competitors must first submit an abstract, which will be judged on scientific merit and clarity. Six finalists will be chosen to give 15 minute oral presentations on the research summarized by their abstracts. Oral presentations will be judged on both presentation and content.

Abstract Subject
Any basic or applied research in the area of Biochemistry or a related field. The project must be work done by the contestant.

Eligibility
Contestants must be MS or Ph.D. students working for a faculty member with an appointment in the Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics at Texas A&M University or at the Institute of Biotechnology in Houston. Only one abstract may be submitted per person. **If you were awarded a monetary award the previous year you may not enter this year.**

Awards
Monetary prizes will be awarded in the following amounts *(after taxes)*:
1st Place $500
2nd Place $300
3rd Place $200

Entry deadline
All entries must be submitted by Wednesday, January 30, 2013. Four copies of each entry should be submitted to:

Amy Whitaker
Bio/Bio Room 424A
MS 2128 TAMU
College Station, TX 77843

Abstracts
Please use only the forms provided for submitting a succinct summary of research. **Please stay within the box lines.** The abstract must be typed single spaced and be no smaller than 12 point font. An entry form must accompany all abstracts. Both the student and his/her major professor must sign entries.
Abstract evaluation
Abstracts will be selected on the quality of research and clarity of writing. The panel of judges will review all abstracts and the 6 most meritorious will be selected for oral presentation.

Oral presentation evaluation
A panel of judges will evaluate oral presentations, which may be members of the Biochemistry faculty or professors outside of the department. The oral competition will be judged on both presentation and content and will be held Friday, February 22, 2013.
Biochemistry and Biophysics Research
Competition Entry and Certification

Contestant Name:

Mailing Address:

E-mail Address:

Telephone Number:

Title of Presentation:

Certification

I certify that _________________________________ is an MS or Ph.D. student. The research presented was conducted by the student during his/ her graduate training. This work has not previously received an award in a BGA sponsored student research competition.

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Signature of P.I.  Date

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Signature of Student  Date
Biochemistry and Biophysics Research Competition Abstract
Abstract Information: Please submit the abstract header below. Your name, PI and any other authors should be included (but only on one copy). The other three copies should only contain the title.

Abstract:

Please submit 4 copies of abstract form by Wednesday, January 30, 2013. Abstract must be typed, single spaced with font no smaller than 12 point. Handwritten abstracts will not be accepted. If at any time you choose to withdraw your entry, please notify Amy Whitaker in writing immediately.